

New Hampshire Connecting to Collections: From Awareness to Funding



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Need

Constrained by time and financing, NHSL aimed to transform the previous static website that required regular manual updates and maintenance and find a user-driven solution that would dynamically add website content and enable the ongoing update process to become self-sustaining.

Solution

Counting Opinions (SQUIRE) Ltd. was retained by NHSL to create a dynamic, user-driven solution. The State's cultural collections are now easily added and maintained by their collection owners and subsequently, searchable through the website by anyone interested in finding these collections which raises public awareness of collections care and cultural heritage.

How it Works?

- Organizations with cultural collection(s) to share are given secure access to an online portal that enables self-management and administration of their collection details.
- The organization and collection information is then automatically searchable and displayed online through the cross browser compatible site <http://FindNHHistory.org>

Created and managed by **Counting Opinions (SQUIRE) Ltd.**, **FindNHHistory.org** is a state wide database of New Hampshire's cultural collections. The content of this database is created by participating NH libraries, historical societies, museums and archives that submit collection(s) details. The site brings together unique cultural collections in the custody of historical societies, libraries, museums, art galleries, archives, state government and other cultural heritage institutions making the collection information immediately available to other organizations and the public.

To request more information or a demo of the Find NH History solution, please contact: Counting Opinions at – info@countingopinions.com

